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Chairman Kathryn Olson Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson St., Second Floor Springfield, IL 62761 RECEIVED

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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Dear Chairman Olson,

I am writing in support of Taylorville Memorial Hospital's Certificate of Need Application.

The hospital submitted an application for a certificate of need earlier this year. It is my understanding that the applications are currently under review. I stand with a number of public officials from our area in backing this project to improve healthcare and patient experience in Taylorville and to modernize their facilities to better align with their mission as a Critical Access Hospital.

As you know, healthcare needs are rapidly changing and rural access to high quality healthcare is vitally important for our state and specifically areas like Taylorville. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience if I can further assist in this effort.

Sincerely

Representative Avery Bourne

95th District